

# 2004 ELECTION

## II SCHOOL BOARD 1ST DEPT/HAWAII (1)



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The citizens in Hawaii have mandated change in our educational system. I am a candidate because I have the training and experience to help carry out that mandate.

My husband and I bought a home in Kailua-Kona in the early 1980's and moved here in the mid-nineties. I was a public school teacher and District Counselor in California for over thirty years and have taught in Hawaii for the past five years. I am extremely familiar with the issues in our public schools.

I support local control, but do not believe in the elimination of the DOE to accomplish decentralized decision making.

Lack of student discipline and consequences for bad school behavior are root causes of some of the failings in our schools. Teaching and learning is difficult in a disruptive environment. We must rethink our discipline policies and procedures.

To be successful we need more permanent teaching and administrative population . Teachers are leaving the State as rapidly as they can and there are administrative vacancies statewide. We must seek and retain the best teachers and administrators.

I have a Bachelors and Masters degree, as well as teaching, counseling and administrative credentials. I was a teacher of the year in California and served on the Board of Education for large high school district. I believe in accountability and sound fiscal management.

I am a member of Kai O'Pua C.C. AAUW, AARP, and Kona Outdoor Circle. I am also an active volunteer in the community. I need your vote!

